

DAM GIVES AWAY AND FLOODS TOWN

Clifton, Ariz., Inundated And
Many Drowned

Conflicting Reports About Loss of
Life Received From Different
Places.

HALF THE TOWN DESTROYED.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 5.—The only information available concerning the report of a great loss of life at Clifton in southeastern Arizona, is contained in a private dispatch that half the town was destroyed. The population numbers 900. A dispatch from the Globe says the railway commission is cut off by the washing away of bridges. It is believed sufficient provisions are in the town to prevent a famine. The flood was caused by a bursting dam.

Message Received.

Globe, Ariz., Dec. 5.—A message from the operator at Solomouville, Ariz., this morning reports 108 persons drowned in the Clifton flood, but gives no details of property damage which, however, is believed to be great.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 5.—A message received here last night from Tucson says that Clifton is half destroyed. The report that between 50 and 60 persons were drowned is partially confirmed.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 5.—From information received here late last night it is believed that the town of Clifton, Ariz., has been practically washed away. The Copper Queen hotel is said to have been swept away by the flood and at least 50 persons lost their lives.

The flood was caused by the Concentrator dam giving away, precipitating a great flood upon the town. The dam was constructed entirely of earth. It was carried away two years ago as a result of swollen streams and a number of persons were drowned.

The dam broke without warning and the raging torrents of water swept down into the town, wrecking buildings and carrying all before it, before the residents scarcely realized what had happened.

The swollen condition of the San Francisco river and Chase creek weakened the dam but it was not thought there was any danger of its collapse.

TWO MORE DIE.

As Result of Being Inoculated by
Cholera Serum.

Manila, Dec. 5.—The deaths of two more prisoners at Bilibid prison are reported, making 12 in all dead out of the 24 cholera patients inoculated with the cholera serum as a test. In explanation of these deaths it has been stated that tubes containing cholera serum were accidentally mixed with others filled with plague virus, and that presumably the latter was used in some cases.

HIGH LICENSE PASSED.

Saloon Men Have to Pay \$250 in
New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—The city council last night voted for high saloon license, after a campaign extending over two years. There are over 2,000 saloons in New Orleans, only a few of which pay more than \$100 license. Under the ordinance adopted last night, the minimum license will be \$250.

J. W. Bush's Will.

The will of the late Captain J. W. Bush has been filed for probate in Livingston county. He leaves all his estate to his wife and at her death it is to be equally divided among his children, any sum advanced during life time to be deducted. To his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mack Nichols, he leaves a \$1,000 insurance policy; also rent free for two years a large island near Smithland. Attorney C. C. Grasshizer, of Paducah, is appointed executor of the estate.

C. G. Brown's Infant.

The two-month-old son of C. G. Brown, of 631 Madison street, died last night of stomach trouble and will be buried this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Oak Grove cemetery.

STEREOPTICON LECTURE

By State Sunday School Evangelist
Next Monday.

Robert M. Hopkins, state Sunday school evangelist, will hold an institute at the Mechanicsburg Christian church Monday and Tuesday evening, December 10 and 11. He will have his stereopticon, showing many splendid views of the Holy Land and also views of our own country. Mr. Hopkins is recognized as one among the best Sunday school men of the state, and will doubtless have a large crowd. Everyone cordially invited.

Escapes in Sauerkraut.

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—George Gersbunt, a Russian political prisoner of Siberia, arrived here on the China yesterday. He escaped from the Akatny prison in Siberia, concealed in a barrel of sauerkraut.

TOO SOON

OZMENT STARTED TO CELEBRATE HIS LIBERTY.

Got Drunk Before His Mother "Told Him Out" and Was Locked Up Again.

Ernest Ozment, a "trusty" at the city jail, was trusted once too often. He had not been out of the lockup three minutes before he was arrested again and a warrant issued against him for being drunk and disorderly.

Ozment was some time ago fined \$25 and costs in police court for a misdemeanor. He was permitted to work about the hall. Learning his mother had saved \$10 and was coming down to pay it in and secure his release, this being the remainder of the fine, he went to a nearby saloon and celebrated. His mother paid the fine and started down the steps. Impudent remarks were made to Patrolman Aaron Hurley who warned Ozment that if he did not desist he would arrest him. Ozment repeated them and was arrested. His mother was refunded the \$10 and Ozment returned to the lockup. It will probably result in an additional fine and confinement in jail with no more trust for Ozment.

Train Delayed by Break.

The second section of the fast flyer No. 103, Louisville to Memphis, due at 3:40 o'clock, was delayed until 6:50 o'clock this morning by a break down at Nortonville of the baggage car. This morning the train was run in two sections, the first being a special carrying home-seekers to the south and west. It was 50 minutes late.

ACADEMY

OF MEDICINE IS BEST ONE IN THE STATE.

County Medical Society Holds Meeting and Listens to Excellent Papers.

"We have the finest academy of medicine in the state," Dr. B. B. Griffith declared this morning. "We have been organized but a short time, but the greatest of interest is being taken, and the work of the members has been excellent and beneficial. The academy will meet Monday night in the office of Dr. B. B. Griffith, who will lecture.

County Medical Society Meets. Last night the McCracken County Medical society met in the office of Dr. H. C. Reynolds. The meeting was interesting. Dr. Reynolds and Dr. H. A. Smith read excellent papers on eye troubles. The next meeting will be held in the office of Drs. Rivers and Smith Tuesday night.

Second to Disappear.

Louisville, Dec. 5.—Rivaling the strange disappearance of her sister, Ida Baron, who was searched for for six weeks and later found in the ice at the foot of the locks three years ago, is the case of Miss Anna Baron, aged thirty years, daughter of John Baron, former councilman, who is mysteriously missing from her home 1314 Highland avenue. The police and detectives are making every effort to get some clue as to the direction she took when she left home, but not the slightest trace of her can be found.

IMPLIED THREAT, SAYS CHRONICLE

Accuses President of Overstepping Authority.

Would Be Impeached if He Attempted to Use Military Force at Frisco.

OUTRAGE AGAINST JAPANESE

San Francisco, Dec. 5.—The Chronicle today declares President Roosevelt has overstepped his authority in threatening to coerce San Francisco in connection with the Japanese agitation. The paper says: "He makes the implied threat to use military force to put Japanese children into our schools when he well knows he has no authority to do anything of the kind and that any such attempt would only lead to his own impeachment."

Outrage Against Japs.

Tacoma, Dec. 5.—The sheriff will be asked to send deputies to Agler to protect dozens of Japanese taken to that village, to work. When the Japanese left the train they were set upon by a mob who beat them with clubs, kicked them and threatened them with death if they did not return to the coast. Officers are investigating and arrests will be made.

MOB LYNCHES WHITE MAN.

Stranger Suspected of Murdering
Two Ranchers Is Shot to Death.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 5.—A. R. Sibley, a white stranger, was shot to death at Del Rio, Valverde county, Texas last night by a body of white men from the town and the adjacent country, who surrounded him in a house in the suburbs of Del Rio and opened fire on the house when Sibley refused to surrender. They accused Sibley of having murdered R. M. Cawthorn and J. R. Ralston, two rich ranchmen of Del Rio, his purpose being to swindle them out of \$4,000 in a crooked transaction in the purchase of sheep. Nothing has been learned of Sibley's identity or where he hailed from.

COMMITTS DEAD MAN TO PRISON

Scranton Alderman Sentences Unconscious Prisoner as Drunkard.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 5.—Arrested on charges of drunkenness and abuse of his family, preferred by his wife, William Murphy, aged 60, was taken into Alderman Saltry's court last night. As he entered the doorway he fell in a heap and was dragged into a corner, where he was propped up while a hearing was proceeded with and commitment papers were made out sending him to prison. The prisoner was taken to the police station in a patrol wagon, and on arriving there was found to be dead. Dr. Bessey declared that life probably was extinct from the moment Murphy fell prostrate in Alderman Saltry's doorway.

POET'S STREET TO BE INVADED.

James Whitcomb Riley's Protest Against Asphalt Unheeded.

Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—The march of progress has reached Lockie street, commemorated by James Whitcomb Riley in one of his lyrics. In spite of the protests of the poet and his neighbors the board of public works has ordered that the gravel roadway be replaced with asphalt. The street is only one block long, but the dwellers there have taken pride in its inviting shade trees and restful gravelly roadway, making a retreat in the middle of the city almost approaching the charms of nature. Now they fear its quiet will be broken by the invasion of commercial traffic, and that the street will become as noisy as the main thoroughfares a block away.

There is only one kind of a newspaper circulation statement that is worth any consideration and that is the daily detailed statement. The Sun is the only Paducah paper printing such a statement.

ENGINEMEN ASK RAISE.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen at a meeting here today decided to ask 47 trunk railroads in the north-west, southwest and middlewest for an increase of 15 per cent, 8-hour days and better working conditions. The Memphis terminus of western roads is affected.

GILLETTE FOUND GUILTY.

Herkimer, N. Y., Dec. 5.—The jury in the trial of Chester E. Gillette for the murder of his sweetheart, Grace Brown, at Big Moose lake on July 11, last night at 10:55 returned a verdict of guilty in the first degree.

FOUR FREEZE TO DEATH.

Boston, Dec. 5.—Four deaths resulted from the cold wave of the last 24 hours. The coldest place in New England this morning was Troy, Vt., where the mercury reached 18 below.

SPECIAL SESSION FOR NEXT SPRING

To Thresh Out Tariff And Income Tax

Advocated by Revisionists With Some Hopes of Success—Nomination Sent.

WOULD INCREASE SALARIES.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The president sent the following nomination to the senate today: Member of Philippine commission and secretary of public instruction in the Philippines, W. Morgan Shuster, District of Columbia. The plan generally favored by the tariff revisionists is to declare for an extra session of the sixtieth congress to be held in the spring when the question of revision together with the income and inheritance tax propositions can be threshed out.

T. D. Porter Elected.

Washington, Dec. 5.—At a caucus of the Democrats of the house tonight T. D. Porter of Corinth, Miss., secretary to representative Candler, of the first district, was elected special employe to the minority to succeed Col. Ike Hill, deceased. The position pays \$1,800 a year and brought out a number of candidates.

Will Penalize Railroads.

In accordance with the announcement that the Southern railway has asked the postoffice department to annul the contract providing for the special mail train between Washington and Atlanta, Second Assistant Postmaster General Shallenberger this morning informed Senator Clay of Georgia, that the department would within the next ten or fifteen days penalize all the roads in the south that have been guilty of delaying mails. The second assistant is aroused over the repeated failure of the railroads in the south to maintain their regular schedule and the consequent delay of mails.

Discharge Colored Troops.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Representative Slayden of Texas, today introduced a bill which provides that "on or before the 30th day of June, 1907, all enlisted men of the army who are negroes or of negro descent shall be discharged from the service of the United States, and thereafter no negro or person of negro descent shall be enlisted or appointed in the army of the United States."

Raise Congressmen's Salary.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Gaynes, of Tennessee, introduced a bill today raising the salaries of the members of congress to \$7,500 annually to become effective in the Sixty-first congress and reimbursing them for money actually spent in going to and from each session of congress.

Reed Smoot Case.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Senator Burrows, of Michigan, gave notice today that next Tuesday he would call up for consideration of the senate the question of right of Reed Smoot to a seat in that body.

Representative Garret, of the Ninth Tennessee district, today introduced bills for the erection of public buildings at Dyersburg and Union City, to cost \$50,000 each.

OLD LITIGATION COMES TO CLOSE

City Must Pay \$141 Costs in the Case.

W. E. Allen Sues for Work Done Fifteen Years Ago and Wins After Death.

PROPERTY OWNERS ESCAPE.

Litigation, involving the city which had been hanging fire in the courts for fifteen years, was settled this morning when a judgment was filed against the city for \$141 in favor of James M. Lang, administrator of the estate of W. E. Allen.

About fifteen years ago Mr. Allen, then a resident of Broad street, contracted to improve Broad street from Sixth street west. The survey was made by the city engineer and through some mistake private property was taken in. Property owners objected to paying estimates and the suit resulted, Allen suing as contractor.

The style of the suit was W. E. Allen against William Lephue, the city of Paducah et al. The judgment this morning dismissed the action against the property owners and rendered a judgment against the city for \$141, the amount sued for. Lang took up the suit when he was made administrator of Allen's estate.

JAPANESE FIGHTERS IN HAWAII

Picked Men With Military Experience Among the Immigrants.

Honolulu, Dec. 5.—There are indications that the Japanese who have been arriving here for some time past, as well as those who have been granted passports and will arrive in the future, are picked men with military experience. F. Y. Idzuma, representing shipping firms in Yokohama, says there are at least 100,000 Japanese ready to come to Hawaii.

THIRD BERRY TRAGEDY DEATH

Father-in-Law of Victim in Savannah Shooting Succumbs to Shock.

Sterling, Ill., Dec. 5.—Henry Tucker died today from the effects of a paralytic stroke brought on by the assassination of Dan Berry by Bot Pulford at Savannah, Berry was a son-in-law of Tucker. Both will be buried in the same lot.

Fast Passenger Wrecked.

Cambria, Ind., Dec. 5.—A fast northbound Monon passenger train was wrecked near here this morning by a broken rail. The engine, mail and baggage cars passed over but the smoker and day coach left the track and rolled in a ditch. Both cars were filled. Almost every passenger received injuries more or less serious. None was killed.

Sheremetloff Gets His.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Police Inspector Sheremetloff, who after the anti-Jewish outbreak at Bialystok last June for which he is said to be responsible, was transferred to St. Petersburg, was shot and mortally wounded by a workman today. His assailant then shot himself.

Whitelaw Reid Sails.

Southampton, Dec. 5.—Ambassador Whitelaw Reid, accompanied by his wife, sailed today for New York. It is reported the ambassador will attempt to settle the New Foundland fisheries question while in America.

Suits Will Be Brought.

Louisville, Dec. 5.—County Attorney R. W. Bingham, after a talk with Governor Beckham, has agreed to bring the civil suits to test the state closing laws.

Murderer Recaptured.

Knoxville, Dec. 5.—"Shorty" Smith, a negro sentenced to hang here today for the murder of Susie Dayton, was given a two weeks' reprieve by the governor.

WEATHER—Unsettled with rain tonight and probably Thursday. Warmer east, colder extreme west portion tonight. Colder Thursday. The highest temperature reached yesterday was 58 and the lowest today was 50.

FISH MAY GET IT.

Rumor That He Will Succeed President Spencer.

Washington, Dec. 5.—A report current here last night is to the effect that Stayvesant Fish, formerly president of the Illinois Central railroad, is to become president of the Southern railway to succeed the late Samuel Spencer. Railroad officials here know nothing concerning it. The matter is entirely in the hands of J. Pierpont Morgan, who is in New York.

Shot From Ambush.

Chilpey, Ga., Dec. 5.—Charles Brooks, a prominent planter of Meriwether county, while sitting in a room alone last night was fired upon from ambush. The bullet crashed through the window, striking him in the head and killed him instantly. There is no clue to the assassin.

SHARES MILLIONS

OF ESTATE OF HIS UNCLE, WHO DIED IN ENGLAND.

J. Renfro, Grocer at Third and Jefferson Streets, Comes Into Large Fortune.

J. Renfro, proprietor of a modest grocery stand at Third and Jefferson streets, will inherit \$140,000 from the estate of his uncle, Dr. John W. Renfro, who died in Yorkshire, England, two years ago. Attorneys have been working the matter up until only the point of establishing identity remains for the Paducahan to receive his portion of the estate.

There are seven nephews who will inherit together \$1,000,000, one-fourth of the entire estate. Three brothers of the deceased will inherit the remainder. Those in America who will receive money from the estate are J. Renfro, Judge J. H. B. Renfro, Carbondale, Ill., Hardin Renfro, Cairo, Ill.; S. R. Renfro, Osceola, Ark.; P. C. Renfro, Brookport; Geo. W. and William Renfro, Elizabethtown, Ill. They are all sons of D. M. Renfro who died in Elizabethtown four years ago.

J. Renfro will sail from New York December 21 for England to establish his identity and claim his portion of the estate.

Negro Assassin Escapes.

Lebanon, O., Dec. 5.—Henry White a negro, murderer of Marshal Bashore, of Franklin, O., five weeks ago, escaped from jail here this morning in a most mysterious manner. The negro was aided in his escape by some one inside the jail, but there is no clue.

ANOTHER CRIME

CHARGED AGAINST DESPERATE ILLINOIS NEGRO.

Sheriff Searching for Him, Hears of Murder in Bush County and Goes There.

Deputy Sheriff A. M. Throgmorton and W. T. Koerner, of Harrisburg, Ill., were in the city looking for Joe Murray, Henry Anderson and Will Garland, colored, wanted for murdering Marshal James Daley, of Spillertown, three miles from Marion, Ill., Saturday. The negroes work for the railroad near Spillertown, and once a week come in to get drunk. They were on a spree when they were arrested by Marshal Daley Murray and his companions fired several times at the officer. He died Sunday from the wounds. There are fifty officers out after the negroes. Murray is said to have killed eleven men, and is desperate.

Sheriff A. M. Throgmorton, of Harrisburg, Ill., and Deputy W. T. Koerner, went into Illinois this morning, crossing on the Dick Fowler after an unsuccessful search for three negroes guilty of killing Marshal Daley, of Spillertown, Ill. While there they were notified that sheriff of Franklin county and marshal in Bush county, Ill., were killed by negroes yesterday afternoon. This hastened their departure. Paducah patrolmen have good descriptions of the negroes and will capture them if they come here.

Many a man has found the real riches of life by looking into the faces of the poor.

PUNISH PARENTS OF WAYWARD BOYS

Plan of School Board To Correct An Evil

Truant Officer May Be Appointed to Look After Incurable Youths of City.

MUCH TROUBLE EXPERIENCED

Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children.

Supt. C. M. Lieb, of the city schools, discovered in the statutes of Kentucky a provision for the disciplining of bad boys, and indications point to the selection of one or more truant officers by the school board. The matter last night was deferred, pending discussion in the committee room, and will be brought up shortly to be reported on at the board meeting just before Christmas.

"After patient research we found this clause in the statutes," said Supt. Lieb. "It does not inflict direct punishment on the child, but effects its ends through the parents. It will compel the parents to control the boy or suffer a fine.

The clause to which Supt. Lieb refers is house bill, No. 226, which reads that truant officers may be appointed by the school board and that their duties shall be to seek out truants, and other boys who interfere with the conduct of the schools. He shall take them "before a magistrate" where a fine of from \$5 to \$20 for the first offense may be assessed against one of the parents and from \$10 to \$50 for the second offense.

Since the juvenile court law was passed great trouble had been experienced by incorrigible boys. Their crimes are too small for a term in reform school and there being no place in the city to confine them, the authorities are powerless to inflict punishment. Through the appointment of a truant officer the parents may be brought into the court.

TRAIN HIT HIS FORTUNE.

Scattered \$20,000 Along the Tracks and Killed a Quaker.

Calvin Harlan, aged 65, an aged, eccentric Quaker who did not believe in banks and who was carrying with him in his buggy gold coin and bank notes amounting to about \$20,000, was struck by a train from Harrisburg, Penn., near Ashland, Baltimore county, and so badly injured that he died soon after being removed to a Baltimore hospital, says a Baltimore telegram.

His body and a part of his buggy were carried for nearly a mile on the locomotive pilot and his money was scattered along the tracks. The station master at Ashland recovered over \$4,000 in gold coin and another railroad man took \$5,000 in notes out of a creek running alongside the railroad. A passenger on the train found a roll containing \$1,500 wedged between two rocks. Other passengers and railroad men picked \$20 gold pieces and other coin and notes along the side of the tracks.

SMOKER.

Will Be Enjoyed By Central Labor Union Tomorrow.

Central Labor Union will have a smoker tomorrow night in the union hall, and important business will be transacted. All delegates are requested to be present.

Girls Stamped.

Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—Seven girls were injured in an explosion at a fire. The stairway was stamped at the plant of the Rathbun Match company today. Fire ran around the room like lightning. The girls were panic stricken.

Wall Paper Trust, Real Thing.

Cincinnati, Dec. 5.—The United States court of appeals today declared the Continental Wall Paper company the most complete and ingeniously organized trust that has come to the knowledge of the court.

Make Dates With Marshal.

Wade Brown deputy United States marshal, went to Grand Rivers this morning. He stated that several persons indicted by the federal grand jury had written him making dates to come to Paducah and give bond.